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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: YE, PFOR, YS, PGOV, PINS

SUBJECT: CONDOLENCE MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

REF: SANAA 949

1. THIS MORNING SHAYKH MOHAMMED ALI UTHMAN, A MEMBER OF THE YAR' S THREE- MAN REPUBLICAN COUNCIL AND LEADER OF YEMEN' S SUNNI COMMUNITY WAS ASSASSINATED AS HE LEFT HIS HOME ( REFTEL BEING REPEATED). THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE FOR TRANSMISSION TO QADI ' ABD AL- RAHMAN AL- IRYANI, CHAIRMAN OF THE YAR REPUBLICAN COUNCIL, IS SUBMITTED FOR THE SECRETARY' S APPROVAL: QUOTE: YOUR EXCELLENCY: I WAS SHOCKED TO LEARN TODAY OF THE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ASSASSINATION OF YOUR COLLEAGUE AND FELLOW COUNCIL  
MEMBER MUHAMMAD ALI ' UTHMAN. THIS DASTARDLY ACT OF  
TERRORISM CAN ONLY BE CONDEMNED. THE TRAGIC DEPARTURE  
OF ONE OF YOUR COUNTRY' S MOST VENERATED ELDER STATESMEN  
IS A LOSS BOTH FOR YEMEN AND FOR THE PRINCIPLES OF  
DEMOCRATIC, REPUBLICAN GOVERNMENT. PLEASE ACCEPT MY  
SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES. WILLIAM P. ROGERS.  
UNQUOTE. RUSH

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